Bisu

Multivaluation @ Frankfurt

September 28, 2018

1 Language Information

• Source: Shixuan (2001)

• Glottlog: http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/bisu1244

• ISO-identifier: bisu1244

• Speakers:

• Location: China, Myanmar, Thailand

 Geneology: Sino-Tibetian > Burmo-Qiangic > Lalo-Burmese > Laloish > Hani-Jino > Bisoid-Hanic > Bisoid > Bisu-Pyen-Laomian > Bisu

2 Verbal Morphology

The category of number (singular or plural) is not expressed on the verb.

3 Conjunction

Two nouns phrases can be conjoint through *ne33* 'and'. There is also another conjunction - *zau33*, that can connect verbs, adjectives, and clauses. *u55mш55*, *thu55mш55*, *thu55mш55*, *thu55mш55* 'but' can conjoin clauses as well.

- (1) aŋ33lai31 aŋ33s!31 (ne33) aŋ33pш55books new and notebooks'new books and notebooks' [Shixuan, 2001, p. 76]
- (2) ko33, maŋ55pum31, my33kui33 aŋ33by31 men31 te33.
 rice maize sweet potato grow good very
 'The rice, maize and sweet potatoes are all growing very well.' [Shixuan, 2001, p. 76]

- (3) zoŋ33 va31, za33 a31kau31 zu55 aŋ33bja31 tha31 γ 33 bja31. they pigs chickens ducks raise many many 'They raise a lot of pigs, chickens, and ducks.' [Shixuan, 2001, p. 76]
- (4) zoŋ33 la31pu31 tshu33 zau33 ma55 laŋ33ga33. . they hand grasp and ask.after each other 'They are shaking hands and asking after each other.' [Shixuan, 2001, p. 134]

4 Disjunction

No information given.

5 Prepositions

No information given.

References

Shixuan, Xu (2001). The Bisu Language. München: Lincom Europa.